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T&T Scientist to lecture on Environmental Careers

Trinidad and Tobago national and member of the Nobel Peace Prize winning Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, Dr. Roger S. Pulwarty, will deliver a lecture to young adults on careers in Environmental Science at the Young Adult Library, National Library, Abercromy Street, Port of Spain on **Monday, May 14, 2012 at 3 pm.**

The lecture is part of the Embassy's continuing activities associated with its Science Corner at the National Library.

Dr. Pulwarty is a former student of Presentation College who is now Chief of the Climate and Societal Interactions Division, and Director of the U.S. National Integrated Drought Information System at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in Boulder, Colorado and Washington DC.

His research and publications focus on climate, impacts assessment and adaptation in the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean. He is a lead author on several national and international climate assessments reports, including the 2007 UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) -- the recipient of the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize; the IPCC Special Report on Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters (2012) and the US Global Change Research Program.

Dr. Pulwarty has acted in advisory capacities on climate, natural resources and disaster risk reduction to several international interests, including CARICOM; the governments of Fiji, Portugal, Venezuela, Chile; the Organization of American States; the UNDP; UNEP and the World Meteorological Organization. Dr. Pulwarty led the Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment Component of the World Bank-GEF funded Project for CARICOM on “Mainstreaming Adaptation to Climate Change in the Caribbean.”

He has served on science advisory committees of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences, NASA and the Environmental Protection Agency. He has been featured in several media communications, including the New York Times Magazine article “The Future is Drying Up.” Dr. Pulwarty also lectures at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill and at the University of Colorado. Roger is a co-recipient of the 2008 NOAA Administrator's award, and the 2010 Department of Commerce Gold Medal, for outstanding achievements in integrating scientific research into public decision-making.

Members of the media are invited to provide coverage of the event.

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